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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: KOREAN REPRESENTATION IN PNG

REF: CANBERRA 7207

1. ACCORDING TO PRESS, LI JANG HWA, ACCOMPANIED BY SEVERAL OFFICIALS, ARRIVED IN PORT MORESBY FROM JAKARTA ON OCTOBER 24 FOR A FIVE DAY VISIT. GROUP WAS INITIALLY IDENTIFIED BY PRESS AS BEING SOUTH KOREAN, BUT THIS WAS SUBSEQUENTLY CORRECTED.

2. WE UNDERSTAND THAT THE VISIT HAD BEEN UNDER CONSIDERATION FOR SOME TIME AS THE NORTH KOREANS HAD BEEN PRESSING TO COME FOR MONTHS AND GPNG FINALLY GAVE THEM A DATE WHEN THE VISIT WOULD BE CONVENIENT.

3. THEY CALLED AT DFRT AND TALKED TO FONSEC TONY SIAGURU BUT I COULDN'T GET ANYTHING OUT OF HIM ABOUT THE DISCUSSION. THE AUSTRALIANS HERE THINK THEY TALKED ABOUT THE KOREAN QUESTION IN THE UN, AND I AGREE THAT THIS WAS PROBABLY DISCUSSED. THEY ALSO CALLED ON THE PRIME MINISTER AFTER HIS RETURN.

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4. THE GROUP MAY WELL HAVE RAISED QUESTION OF DIPLOMATIC

REPRESENTATION, AND IF THEY DID I SUSPECT THAT THE GPNG DISPLAYED A POLITE LACK OF INTEREST IN THE SUBJECT. THE GPNG IS FAR TOO BUSY WITH SUCH PROBLEMS AS BOUGAINVILLE, FINANCIAL STRINGENCY, A CABINET RESHUFFLE AND OTHER DOMESTIC MATTERS TO WANT TO SPEND TIME THINKING ABOUT A PLACE AS REMOTE AS KOREA AND AS FAR REMOVED FROM THEIR INTERESTS.

5. IF MORE INFO ABOUT VISIT BECOMES AVAILABLE, WE WILL PASS IT ALONG.
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